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                  : Zhong Ding                                      Confirmation No. 9036

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**Amendment and Request for Reconsideration under 37 CFR 1.116**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of May 18, 2007, entry of the amendment and reconsideration are requested for the reasons which follow:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.

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